

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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4054 the Application of: EMA, Taiji

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCLUDING CONTACT HOLES BETWEEN

ADJACENT CONDUCTOR PATTERNS AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE

SAME

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 3, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, extended to February 2, 2003 by a one-month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified apprication as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

2.

AMEND claims 2 and 36 as follows.

(Five Times Amended)

A semiconductor device comprising:

a base substrate;

a first conducting film formed over the base substrate and including a plurality of conductor patterns adjacent to each other;

an etching stopper film covering an upper surface of the conductor patterns;

a contact hole located in a part of a region between the adjacent conductor patterns and having an end thereof defined by the conductor patterns;

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